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SUBJECT: PRESS REACTION TO KEATING-EBAN MEETING

1. AUGUST 21 MEETING BETWEEN FONMIN EBAN AND AMBASSADOR KEATING HAS BEEN PROMINENTLY REPORTED BY ALL MAJOR ISRAELI NEWSPAPERS. UNIFORMITY OF ARTICLES BY SUCH COMMENTATORS AS MARGALIT (HAARETZ) AND ESHED (DAVAR) SUGGESTS THAT MFA BACK-GROUNDED REPORTERS ON SUBSTANCE OF MEETING. THIS LATER CONFIRMED TO EMBOFF BY MFA SPOKESMAN.

2. ALL REPORTS EMPHASIZE THAT KEY TOPIC DURING MEETING WAS THREATENED CENSURE MOVE AGAINST ISRAEL AT NEXT WEEK'S ICAO CONFERENCE IN ROME. ESHED REPORTED THAT FONMIN EBAN STATED LATEST AIR INCIDENTS WERE RESULT OF INACTIVITY AGAINST ARAB TERRORISM ON PART OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AND LACK OF INTERNATIONAL ACTION AGAINST ARAB GOVERNMENTS THAT ENCOURAGE. AND HARBOR TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS. ESHED WROTE THAT AMB  
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KEATING PROMISED TO REPORT ISRAEL'S VIEWS TO WASHINGTON

AND REMARKED ON NEED FOR MOVES AGAINST TERROR AND US DESIRE TO PREVENT ESCALATION OF INTERNATIONAL ACTION AGAINST ISRAEL.

3. MARGALIT (HAARETZ) ADDS THAT ISRAEL APPARENTLY HOPES FOR US UNDERSTANDING OF ITS POSITION THAT SITUATION HAS DEVELOPED IN WHICH GOI MUST ACT AGAINST TERROR AND TAKE INITIATIVE IN FIGHTING IT.

4. JERUSALEM POST AND MAARIV ARTICLES CLOSELY PARALLEL OTHER REPORTS BUT MAARIV ADDS THAT AMB KEATING ASSURED EBAN THAT USG WILL ACT TO PREVENT EXTREME RESOLUTIONS IN INTERNATIONAL AVIATION ORGANIZATIONS RESULTING FROM ISRAEL'S AUGUST 10 INTERCEPTION OF MEA AIRLINER.

5. EMBASSY, QUERIED BY NEWSMEN, DECLINED TO COMMENT ON THE MEETING OTHER THAN THAT IT WAS A COURTESY CALL IN PREPARATION FOR THE AMBASSADOR'S PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS.  
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